

# EPIDEMIOLOGY & SURVEILLANCE

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# Influenza Surveillance Report: Collin County\* MMWR Week 11 (March 8 - 14, 2020)

Influenza Report as of March 21, 2020

### **Overview**

#### **Collin County**

- Influenza activity in Collin County decreased.
- 5.1% of patient visits to health care facilities were due to influenza-like illness (ILI).
- No influenza-associated pediatric deaths were reported this week. Total this season: 2

#### <u>Texas</u>

- Influenza activity in Texas is high.
- 7.1% of patient visits to health care facilities were due to ILI, which is above baseline (4.8%).
- No influenza-associated pediatric deaths were reported this week. Total this season: 15

#### **United States**

- Influenza activity in the United States is high.
- 5.8% of patient visits to health care facilities were due to ILI, which is above baseline (2.4%).
- 5 influenza-associated pediatric deaths were reported this week. Total this season: 149.

# **Influenza Activity**

The following tables demonstrate the number of influenza tests performed by healthcare providers and the total number of tests that were positive. The numbers displayed below represent the totals reported by participating healthcare facilities. Table I. displays the number of tests performed and how many of those were positive for the week. Table II. Shows the cumulative totals for the prior weeks and breaks down the current week. Figure I. below displays the number of positive influenza cases for the current 2019-2020 flu season by MMWR week.

Table I. Overview of Individuals Tested for Week 11

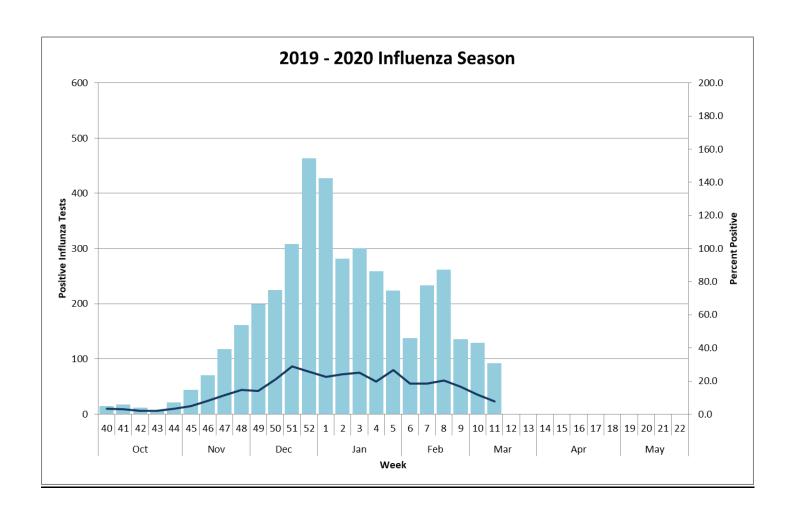
<b>Total Tests Performed</b>	Total Positive	Percent Positive
1179	92	7.8%

<sup>\*</sup> Any outbreak or unusual group expression of influenza and influenza-associated pediatric mortality is reportable in the State of Texas. All other reporting is voluntary.

**Table II. Influenza Test Results** 

	Season to Date	<b>Current Week</b>
Total Individuals Tested	23169	1179
Total Positive Tests	3944 (17.0%)	92 (7.8%)
Positive Rapid Type A	2037 (51.6%)	73 (79.3%)
Positive Rapid Type B	1907 (48.4%)	19 (20.7%)
Positive Rapid Type A and B	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
Positive Rapid Undifferentiated	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
Positive PCR/Culture Type A	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
Positive PCR/Culture Type B	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)

Figure I. Number of Positive Influenza Cases for Collin County by MMWR Week



# **Independent School Districts Influenza Activity**

Independent School Districts in Collin County did not submit absenteeism surveillance for week 11.

# **Additional Sources**

For more information on influenza and influenza surveillance please visit these helpful sites:

Texas Influenza Information: <a href="http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/idcu/disease/influenza/">http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/idcu/disease/influenza/</a>
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/flu/#">https://www.cdc.gov/flu/#</a>

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Collin County receives influenza activity reports from healthcare providers and schools. Influenza reporting is optional for these facilities. If you are a healthcare provider or school and would like to report influenza activity at your facility please visit our website for reporting forms at <a href="http://www.collincountytx.gov/healthcare">http://www.collincountytx.gov/healthcare</a> services/Pages/influenza.aspx

#### Information in this report was obtained from:

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